

LOUISVILLE METRO COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES

Special Health and Human Needs Committee Meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 2008

3:00 P.M.

Third Floor, City Hall

Present:

Chair:

CW Woolridge

Members:

**CW Welch, Stuart Benson,
and CW Green**

Chairwoman Woolridge began the meeting by announcing the members and non-members of the committee that were present. A quorum was established.

Special Items For Discussion: Judy Nielsen, Director and Matt Rhodes, Deputy Director, Environmental Health and Protection - Inspection Program for food service facilities. Mark Ohlmann will also speak (Concerned Citizen).

Mark Ohlmann (Concerned Citizen) stated he spoke to the Committee two years ago regarding overdue Restaurants inspection reports. The following was discussed.

- Have been tracking information approximately for 3 years
- March 2006 presented a spread sheet approximately 150 establishments that were not inspected as required per Kentucky State Food Retail Code requirement
- C Placards were posted for less than 7 days ([attachment](#))
- Open Records Request ([attachment](#))
- Online Inspection Information Incomplete, Wrong or Not Existent ([attachment](#))
- Not following the ABC Guidelines
- Have spoken to Dr. Adewale Troutman
- Not enough Inspectors

Judy Neilsen, Director, Environmental Health and Protection discussed the following:

- ABC Placards ([attachment](#))
- Increased both the number of routine facility Inspections and the total number of Inspections ([attachment](#))
- Food Establishments – Food Inspection Areas ([attachment](#))
- RCODE Compliance Summary ([attachment](#))
- Increased the percentage of facilities receiving 2 routine inspections from approximately 75% in 2005 to 92% today
- Decreased the average time between inspections
- Increase in the number of Environmental Health Specialists from 9FTE to 13 FTE
- Improved efficiency and still improving
- Improved the management process
- Continue to improve their Quality Assurance
- What does this mean to the Public
- Committed to continuing to improve their processes and outcomes
- The staff is professional and committed to providing the best service possible

Chairman Woolridge asked Judy Neilsen if she would come back for further discussion.

AGENDA

R-06-01-08 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT A \$5,000.00 GRANT FROM THE FOUNDATION FOR A HEALTHY KENTUCKY, INC. CONCERNING REMOVING BARRIERS FOR MOTHERS WHO BREASTFEED.

Motion to Approve made by Vicki Welch and seconded by Stuart Benson.

Discussion: B.J. Atkins, Department of Public Health & Wellness, stated they applied to the Foundation last September for a community grant in the amount of \$5,000. The following was discussed:

- The grant is to help Mothers who Breastfeed
- Research strongly reports the positive effects of breastfeeding on mothers and infants.
 - ✓ Breastfeeding is linked to the reduction of breast, ovarian and cervical cancer incidences in women and boosts the immune system in infants preventing a multitude of illnesses
 - ✓ Breastfeeding moms face barriers – limited family and community support – returning to work in a non-supportive breastfeeding environment
 - ✓ A child that is being breastfed has less chance of being obese
 - ✓ U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - 2010 goal is to increase the amount of Mothers that Breastfeed to 50%
- Two Breastfeeding support groups in Jefferson County
 - ✓ Library in Okolona
 - ✓ Newburg Community
 - ✓ Established group in the Iroquois Library in South Central Louisville – The Program has been successful
 - ✓ Plan to visit companies and educate them of the importance of the program and hoping they will put the program in their worksite wellness plan
 - ✓ Plan to visit the State level to educate them and hope they will help

By unanimous vote, this item was sent to the **Consent Calendar** on the 2/14/08 Council Agenda.

For: 4; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Absent: 0

For: Judy Green, Mary C. Woolridge, Vicki Welch, Stuart Benson

Against: (None)

Abstain: (None)

Absent: (None)

R-280-12-07 A RESOLUTION ASKING THAT CERTAIN STEPS BE TAKEN TO INSURE ONLY LAWFUL PERSONS RECEIVE SERVICES AND BENEFITS FROM METRO PROGRAMS.

Status: In-Committee

Committee: Health/Human Needs

Primary Sponsor: Doug Hawkins

Chairman Woolridge stated she had not heard from the Sponsor and he was not present to speak to the item.

This item was **Held** in Committee.

Motion to Adjourn made by Judy Green and seconded by Stuart Benson.

Without objection the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

***NOTE: Items sent to the Consent Calendar or Old Business will be heard before the full Council at the February 14, 2008 Metro Council Meeting.**

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